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September 16, 2016

Marlene H. Dortch Secretary Federal Communications Commission 445 12th Street, SW Washington, DC 20554

Re: Flat Wireless, LLC v. Cellco Partnership d/b/a Verizon Wireless, EB Docket No. 15-147, File No. EB15-MD-005

Dear Ms. Dortch:

I am enclosing for filing in the above captioned proceeding Verizon's Best and Final Offer to Flat Wireless, along with supplemental rate charts (submitted herein as Exhibits A and B), which have been redacted for public inspection, and the supporting Declaration of Michael J. Pocher.

Sincerely,

Steven G. Bradbury

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CONFIDENTIAL AND HIGHLY CONFIDENTIAL MATERIAL ENCLOSED

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ATTN: Rosemary McEnery Deputy Chief Market Disputes Resolution Division Enforcement Bureau Federal Communications Commission 445 12th Street, S.W. Washington, DC 20554

Re: Flat Wireless, LLC v. Cellco Partnership d/b/a Verizon Wireless, EB Docket No. 15-147, File No. EB15-MD-005

Dear Ms. Dortch:

I am enclosing for filing in the above captioned proceeding the Best and Final Offer of Verizon to Flat Wireless, along with the accompanying rate charts (submitted herein as Exhibits A and B). Verizon hereby requests Confidential treatment of the Best and Final Offer and Highly Confidential treatment of the accompanying rate charts pursuant to the protective order adopted by the Enforcement Bureau, and sections 0.457(d)(2), 0.457(g)(3), 0.459 and 1.731 of the Commission's Rules, 47 C.F.R. §§ 0.457(d)(2), 0.457(g)(3), 0.459 and 1.731. Accordingly, these materials may be used and disclosed solely in accordance with the limitations and procedures of 47. C.F.R. §§ 1.731(b)-(e).

The documents and information for which Verizon seeks highly confidential treatment fall squarely within the requirements of Section 0.459 of the Commission's rules, and disclosure of this information would result in competitive harm to Verizon. In support of this request,

¹ Protective Order, EB Docket No, 15-147, File No. EB-15-MD-005 (Aug. 31, 2015).



Verizon provides the following information pursuant to Sections 0.457(d)(2) and 0.459(b) of the Commission's Rules.

- 1. Extent of Nondisclosure Requested. Verizon is requesting confidential treatment under the Protective Order in this proceeding for the enclosed Best and Final Offer to Flat Wireless, which is marked "Confidential," and for the information therein designated with the markings "[BEGIN CONFIDENTIAL]" and "[END CONFIDENTIAL]." Furthermore, Verizon is requesting highly confidential treatment under the Protective Order in this proceeding for the accompanying rate charts (submitted herewith as Exhibits A and B), which are marked "Highly Confidential." Please note that all of the rate information provided in the columns contained in Exhibits A and B is Highly Confidential. The documents and information subject to this request generally relate to commercial negotiations and arrangements between Verizon and Flat Wireless, LLC, Inc. ("Flat" or "Complainant"), and to commercial arrangements between Verizon and other entities, that are subject to non-disclosure agreements or that Verizon does not otherwise disclose publicly.
- 2. Proceeding/Reason for Submission. Verizon is submitting the enclosed information pursuant to Sections 1.724 and 1.729 of the Rules, 47 C.F.R. §§ 1.724, 1.729, and in accordance with the Enforcement Bureau's July 15, 2015 letter to Verizon and Flat, the Enforcement Bureau's September 2, 2015 grant of the parties' Joint Motion to Revise Scheduling Order, the August 11, 2016 Conference of the parties and Enforcement Bureau, the September 6, 2016 Scheduling Order, and the parties' as part of Verizon's Best and Final Offer to Flat's formal complaint in the above-referenced proceeding.
- 3. Nature of Confidential Information. The information contains commercially sensitive information that may be withheld from public disclosure under FOIA Exemption 4. The Commission has long recognized that, for purposes of Exemption 4, "records are 'commercial' as long as the submitter has a commercial interest in them." *Robert J. Butler*, 6 FCC Rcd 5414, 5415 (1991), citing *Public Citizen Health Research Group v. F.D.A.*, 704 F.2d 1280, 1290 (D.C. Cir. 1983); *American Airlines v. National Mediation Board*, 588 F.2d 863, 868 (2d Cir. 1978). The information is



clearly "commercial" in nature. It includes information relating to Verizon's roaming pricing and agreements, wholesale relationships, Verizon's business practices and methods, and commercially sensitive and highly confidential agreements with Defendant and other parties. Further, the documents are plainly "highly confidential" in that they "would customarily not be released to the public." Courts have elaborated that material "is 'confidential' . . . if disclosure of the information is likely to have *either* of the following effects: (1) to impair the government's ability to obtain necessary information in the future; or (2) to cause substantial harm to the competitive position of the person from whom the information was obtained." Both of these considerations plainly apply in this instance, as further explained in point (5) below.

- 4. Competitiveness of Market. The commercial information provided derives from and relates to Verizon's provision of mobile wireless services and thus concerns a service "that is subject to competition," 47 C.F.R. § 0.459(b)(4). See, e.g., Implementation of Section 6002(b) of the Omnibus Budget Reconciliation Act of 1993; Annual Report and Analysis of Competitive Market Conditions with Respect to Commercial Mobile Services, 28 FCC Rcd 3700 (2013).
- 5. <u>Harm from Disclosure</u>. The commercial information in the enclosed response is highly confidential because its release would likely cause competitive harm to Verizon. The information is clearly commercial in nature. Further, the documents are plainly "confidential" and/or "highly confidential" in that they "would customarily not be released to the public." Further, evidence revealing "[a]ctual competition and the

² See Board of Trade v. Commodity Futures Trading Comm'n, 627 F.2d 392, 403 & n.78 (D.C. Cir. 1980) (courts have given the terms "commercial" and "financial," as used in Section 552(b)(4), their ordinary meanings).

³ Critical Mass Energy Project v. NRC, 975 F.2d 871, 873 (D.C. Cir. 1992), cert. denied, 113 S. Ct. 1579 (1993).

⁴ National Parks and Conservation Ass'n v. Morton, 498 F.2d 764, 770 (D.C. Cir. 1974) (footnote omitted) (emphasis added); see also Critical Mass Energy Project v. NRC, 975 F.2d 871 (D.C. Cir. 1992), cert. denied, 113 S. Ct. 1579 (1993).

⁵ Critical Mass Energy Project v. NRC, 975 F.2d 871, 873 (D.C. Cir. 1992), cert. denied, 113 S. Ct. 1579 (1993) (citing the Senate Committee Report).



likelihood of substantial competitive injury' is sufficient to bring commercial information within the realm of confidentiality." The Commission has recognized that disclosure of information relating to pricing, costs, business practices and methods and related information to competitors can cause competitive harm, and is thus competitively sensitive and subject to Exemption 4.7

- 6. Measures Taken to Prevent Unauthorized Disclosure. Verizon treats the documents and information subject to this request as highly confidential and subject to non-disclosure agreements, and does not publicly disclose this information. Verizon also limits the internal circulation of this information to only those with a need-to-know.
- 7. Public Availability and Previous Disclosure to Third Parties. The documents for which highly confidentiality is sought are not made available to the public and have not been disclosed to parties other than Flat. Documents disclosed to Flat have been subject to non-disclosure agreements.
- 8. Requested Duration of Nondisclosure. The enclosed information should never be released for public inspection, as it contains commercially sensitive, highly confidential information, the release of which could adversely affect Verizon's competitive position.

For the foregoing reasons, Verizon respectfully requests that the Commission withhold these documents and information from public inspection, subject to the safeguards of section 1.731 of the Rules.

Should you need additional information with regard to this request, please contact the undersigned at (202) 261-3483.

⁶ Public Citizen Health Research Group, 704 F.2d at 1291, quoting Gulf & Western Industries v. U.S., 615 F.2d 527, 530 (D.C. Cir. 1979).

⁷ See, e.g., Josh Wein, Warren Communications News, Request for Inspection of Records, Memorandum Opinion and Order, 24 FCC Rcd 12347, 12352-53 (2009).



Sincerely,

Steven G. Bradbury

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BEFORE THE FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION WASHINGTON, DC 20554

In the Matter of)
Flat Wireless, LLC, for and on behalf of its Operating Subsidiaries,) EB Docket No. 15-147) File No. EB-15-MD-005
Complainant,)
v.)))
Cellco Partnership d/b/a Verizon Wireless, and its Operating Subsidiaries,))
Defendant.)))
VERIZON'S BEST	AND FINAL OFFER
Pursuant to the Commission's Septemb	er 6, 2016 Scheduling Order in this proceeding,
Verizon makes the following best and final off	er for voice and data roaming to Flat Wireless.
Verizon offers Flat Wireless [BEGIN CONFI	DENTIAL]
[END	CONFIDENTIAL]

In addition, in connection with Verizon's current best and final offer to Flat Wireless, Verizon is hereby updating the domestic roaming rate charts previously provided in this proceeding. The updated rate charts are appended to this filing as Exhibits A and B.²

Respectfully submitted,

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Counsel for Verizon

September 16, 2016

See Verizon Answer at Tab F, Exhibits A-B, Response to Flat Wireless' Interrogatories (filed Sept. 15, 2015).

See Exhibits A (per unit rates paid to Verizon and by Verizon in each of its existing roaming agreements for all Service Categories) and B (roaming rates associated with Verizon's LTE in Rural America ("LRA") agreements).

Exhibit A

CDMA Only C	Carriers										Total Voice Volu	mes 2Q YTD 2016			
·		VZW 3G Rev	venue Rates (Inl	bound on VZW)		VZ	W 3G COST RA	TES (Outbound	on Roam Carrier)	VZW Revenue Volume (OUTCOLLECT)	VZW Cost Volume (INCOLLECT)	Voice	Data	Total
CARRIER ID LRA Y/N	N Voice Air	Dom Toll	1X DATA	EVDO DATA	SMS	Voice Air	Dom Toll	1X DATA	EVDO DATA	SMS	Voice Air Revenue MOU	Voice Air Cost MOU		VZW NET PAYER OR NET RECEIVER (based on Total Data \$) Excl.LRA \$	
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CDMA C	Carriers v	with LTE																	Total Voice Volum	mes 2Q YTD 2016	İ		
	VZ	W 3G Revenue	Rates (Inbo	ound on VZW	/)	VZW 4	4G Revenue R	ates (Inbound on	VZW)	VZW 30	G COST RATES	(Outbound	on Roam Ca	ırrier)	VZW 4G CC	OST RATES (O	utbound on Ro	oam Carrier)	VZW Revenue Volume (OUTCOLLECT)	VZW Cost Volume (INCOLLECT)	Voice	Data	Total
CARRIER ID	Voice Air	Dom Toll	1X DATA	EVDO DATA	SMS	VOLTE AIR per MOU	VOLTE Toll Per Mou	LTE DATA per MB	SMS - per MO	Voice Air	Dom Toll	1X DATA	EVDO DATA	SMS	VOLTE AIR per MOU	VOLTE Toll Per Mou	LTE DATA pe MB	r SMS - per MO	Voice Air Revenue MOU		VZW NET PAYER OR NET RECEIVER (based on Total Voice \$) Excl.LRA \$	NET RECEIVER (based on Total Data \$)	
56																							
57																							

GSM Agreements

		VZW Rever	nue Rates (Inbour	nd on VZW)		V	ZW COST RAT	ΓES (Outbound o	n Roam Carrie	er)	Voice	Data	Total
	Voice Air per	Dom Toll -		SMS - per		Voice Air per	Dom Toll -		SMS - per		NET RECEIVER	VZW NET PAYER OR NET RECEIVER (based on Total Data	VZW NET PAYER OR NET RECEIVER (based on Total \$)
CARRIER ID	MOU	Per MOU	DATA per MB	MO	SMS- per MT	MOU	Per MOU	DATA per MB	MO	SMS- per MT	Voice \$) Excl.LRA \$	\$) Excl.LRA \$	Excl.LRA \$
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63													

Carriers	with LTE	Only							Total Voice Volu	mes 2Q YTD 2016			
	VZW 4	4G Revenue Ra	ates (Inbound on	VZW)	VZW 4G CO	OST RATES (Ou	utbound on Roa	m Carrier)	VZW Revenue Volume (OUTCOLLECT)	VZW Cost Volume (INCOLLECT)	Voice	Data	Total
CARRIER ID	VOLTE AIR per MOU	VOLTE Toll Per Mou	LTE DATA per MB	SMS - per MO	VOLTE AIR per MOU	VOLTE Toll Per Mou	LTE DATA per MB	SMS - per MO	Voice Air Revenue MOU	Voice Air Cost MOU	NET RECEIVER	VZW NET PAYER OR NET RECEIVER (based on Total Data \$) Excl.LRA \$	NET PAYER OR NET RECEIVER (based on Total \$) Excl.LRA \$
64													
65													
66													
67													

CDMA,	LTE , GSM Carriers		Total Voice Volu	mes 2Q YTD 2016			
	VZW 3G Revenue Rates (Inbound on VZW)*	VZW 3G COST RATES (Outbound on Roam Carrier)*	VZW Revenue Volume (OUTCOLLECT)	VZW Cost Volume (INCOLLECT)	Voice	Data	Total
CARRIER ID			Voice Air Revenue MOU	Voice Air Cost MOU	NET RECEIVER (based on Total Voice \$) Excl.LRA \$	NET RECEIVER (based on Total	VZW NET PAYER OR NET RECEIVER (based on Total \$) Excl.LRA \$
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69*							

Carrier 6 CDMA only Rate Attachment

	ie Rates (Inbound VZW)		RATES (Outbound n Carrier)
1X DATA	EVDO DATA	1X DATA	EVDO DATA
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Carrier 9 CDMA only Rate Attachment

VZW 3G Revenu	e Rates (Inbound
1X DATA	EVDO DATA

Carrier 47 CDMA only Rate Attachment

1. Voice Rates

Verizon Wireless Serving Carrier	Effective Date	Airtime Rate/Min	Domestic Toll Rate/Min
		Airtime	Toll
Carrier 47 Serving Carrier	Effective Date	Rate/Min	Rate/Min

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Carrier 48 CDMA only Rate Attachment

Voice Rates			
Serving Carrier	Effective Date	Airtime Rate/Min	Domestic Toll Rate/Min
1xRTT Data Rates			
Serving Carrier	Effective Date	Contract Rate Per MB	
Serving Carrier	Effective Date	Contract Rate Per MB	7
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EVDO Data Rates			
Serving Carrier	Effe	ective Date	
Monthly Volume Tiers			
Camira Ca		Effective Date	Contract Data Day MD
Serving Ca	rrier	Effective Date	Contract Rate Per MB

EVDO Minimum Revenue Co	mmitment
Monthly Commitment Period	Minimum Monthly
	Revenue Commitment

Carrier 50 CDMA only Rate Attachment

	VZW 3G Revenue Rates (Inbound on VZW)		VZW 3G COST RATES (Outbou	
Agreement/ Amendment Signed Date	1X DATA	EVDO DATA	1X DAT	TA EVDO DATA
Apr-2016				



Carrier 56 CDMA w/ LTE Data Rate Attachment

Future Data Rates (1)(2)

Monthly Volume Range (in 000's)

Cost Per MB

Carrier 64 LTE only Data Rate Attachment

Data Rate summary:			
Serving Carrier	r	LTE Data rate	per MB

Carrier 68 CDMA, LTE, GSM Rate Attachment

INTERCARRIER ROAMER SERVICE RATES

Carrier #68 as Serving Carrier

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	Airtime-						
	MOC per	Airtime-MTC per	Toll-MOC	Data per	Data Credit		İ
Period	MOU	MOU	per MOU	MB	per MB	SMS-MO	SMS-MT
2016							
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2025							

Verizon Wireless as Serving Carrier

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Period	Airtime- MOC per MOU	Airtime-MTC per MOU	Toll-MOC per MOU	-	Data Credit per MB *	SMS-MO	SMS-MT
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2017							
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2022							
2023							
2024							
2025							



Overall Carrier #68 Roaming Agreement Summary

<u>Term</u>			

Rates and Send or Pay Commitment

Commitment Schedule (\$M):				Annual Send or Pay Commitment						
Period #	Period	Period	End Date	5 Year	6 Year	7 Year Out	8 Year Out	9 Year Out	10 Year	
	Start Date			Out	Out	Exercised	Exercised	Exercised	Out	
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Carrier 69 CDMA, LTE, GSM Rate Attachment

	CDMA Revenue Rates (Inbound on VZW)			CDMA COST RATES (Outbound on Roam Carrier) *				
LRA Y/N	Voice Air	Dom Toll	1X DATA	EVDO DATA	Voice Air	Dom Toll	1X DATA	EVDO DATA
		_			_			
	GSM	& LTE Revenue F	Rates (Inbound on	VZW)	GSM & LTE COST RATES (Outbound on Roam Carrier)*			
LRA Y/N	Voice Air per	Dom Toll - Per			Voice Air per	Dom Toll - Per		
LKA Y/IN	MOU	MOU	DATA per MB	SMS - per MO	MOU	MOU	DATA per MB	SMS - per MO
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Exhibit B

LRA Rates
As of End of 2Q 2016

	LRA Community	LRA Nationwide	VZW LTE
	of Interest	LTE Roaming	Roaming Rate
	Roaming Rate	Rate	
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Defendant.)	

SUPPLEMENTAL DECLARATION OF MICHAEL J. POCHER

- 1. My name is Michael J. Pocher, and I am employed by Verizon. My responsibilities include negotiating and maintaining Verizon's roaming agreements.
- 2. The purpose of my declaration is to certify Verizon's Best and Final Offer and the accompanying rate charts (submitted herein as Exhibits A and B) in this matter.
- I have reviewed the information provided in the Best and Final Offer and the
 accompanying rate charts and declare, under penalty of perjury, that the foregoing is true
 and correct.

Dated: September 16, 2016

Michael J. Pocher

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that on this 16th day of September, 2016 copies of the foregoing filing and declarations attached hereto were delivered by courier and via e-mail to the following individual:

Donald J. Evans Fletcher, Heald & Hildreth, P.L.C. 1300 N. 17th Street, Suite 1100 Arlington, VA 22209

Hrishikesh N. Hari